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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

CATHY A. CATTERSON, CLERK U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff - Appellee,

V.

JAMES LOUIS GREGORY SHALES,

Defendant - Appellant.

No. 05-30495

D.C. No. CR-05-05087-001-RBL

MEMORANDUM*

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington Ronald B. Leighton, District Judge, Presiding

Submitted July 24, 2006**

Before: ALARCÓN, HAWKINS and THOMAS, Circuit Judges

James Louis Gregory Shales appeals from his guilty-plea conviction and 45-month sentence for bank robbery in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2213(a). We have jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1291.

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^{**} This panel unanimously finds this case suitable for decision without oral argument. *See* Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

Pursuant to *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967), counsel for Shales has filed a brief stating that he finds no grounds for relief, along with a motion to withdraw as counsel of record. No pro se supplemental brief or answering brief has been filed.

Our examination of the brief and our independent review of the record pursuant to *Penson v. Ohio*, 488 U.S. 75, 83 (1988), disclose no grounds for relief on direct appeal.

Accordingly, counsel's motion to withdraw is **GRANTED**, and the district court's judgment is **AFFIRMED**.